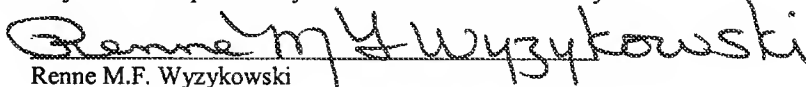


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated December 23, 2008 for two month(s) from January 23, 2009 to March 23, 2009.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

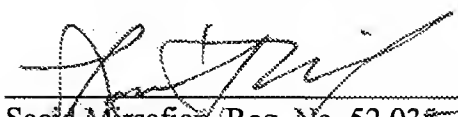
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LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 65.00	\$ 130.00	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 245.00	\$ 490.00	\$490.00
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 555.00	\$1,110.00	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 865.00	\$1,730.00	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1,175.00	\$2,350.00	\$

Please deduct \$490.00 from Deposit Account No. 03-1728 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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